

SECTION 8

CITY POLICIES

PRIORITY REGISTRATION FOR ARCADIA RESIDENTS

The City of Arcadia recognizes that its residents live and use city services and facilities and contribute both directly and indirectly to the tax base of the community in an amount generally greater than non-residents. While acknowledging that the City is a public entity and its facilities and services are open to all citizens, the City desires to ensure that its own residents have the opportunity to participate in those programs and activities in certain departments as authorized and designated by the City Manager, without being denied participation due to program capacity being filled by non-residents.

It, therefore, shall be the policy of the City of Arcadia to establish priority for City of Arcadia residents in the form of a time period at the beginning of program registration, where deemed appropriate by the City Manager or designee, for the registration of Arcadia residents only. At the conclusion of this priority period, registration will be then open to residents and non-residents

*(Adopted by City Council action on August 19, 2003)

INCLUSION OF DISABLED INDIVIDUALS FOR CITY SERVICES

“Reasonable Accommodations” – Steps the City can take to facilitate the participant’s successful inclusion in City programs, services or activities. They are based on individual needs. Examples of accommodations we can provide include:

- Allowing service animals in programs (e.g., guide dogs).
- Changing the rules of games/activities – as long as it does not fundamentally alter the purpose of the game/activity.
- Moving the program/activity from a non-accessible location to an accessible location (if feasible).
- Providing accessible transportation within a program (if available).
- Providing qualified sign language interpreters and/or assisted listening devices.
- Providing information in large print, magnifiers, readers, or in a recorded format.
- Providing additional staff.

The City asks that it be notified of accommodation needs at least two (2) weeks in advance of the program start date. However, less notice may be appropriate in some circumstances.

Certain accommodations, such as the provision of a program companion, may require two (2) to four (4) weeks notice to accommodate.